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## Erie County reports 2 new cases of COVID-19 for cumulative total of 122

Erie, PA – County Executive Kathy Dahlkemper today announced two new positive cases of COVID-19 have been reported in Erie County. The total cumulative cases of COVID-19 in Erie County to date is 122, with 2,734 negatives and 97 recovered cases.

Both of the new positive cases are in their 20s, and they live in the same home. The new cases are located in Zone 5, which can be found on the cumulative cases <u>map</u> by zone at eriecountypa.gov (refresh page). Updated data can be found on the <u>chart</u> on the "Positive Cases in Erie County" page on eriecountypa.gov.

Contact tracing continues by Erie County Department of Health.

"Our contact tracers at the health department have been diligently working around the clock to identify contacts of all positive cases since the first case hit Erie County," Dahlkemper said. "We have a much more robust tracing system locally, and we are confident in our numbers and the work we are doing."

Dr. Tony Snow, medical director at the Erie County Department of Health joined the County Executive today via Zoom to shed some light on testing and the importance of adhering to social distancing guidelines, universal masking and proper handwashing, especially now that the county has entered the yellow phase. He expressed that doing the hard things now may prevent something worse later.

Guidance for <u>masks</u> and <u>businesses</u> allowed to operate, fact sheets, business resources, family resources, videos and translations continue to be added to <u>eriecountypa.gov</u> as it comes available.

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